

April 20, 1956

**EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO THE PHILIPPINES**

Note: The Agreement entered into force, April 20, 1956.

Reference: This Agreement is also published in 273 UNTS, p. 316.

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**THE AMERICAN MINISTER TO THE PHILIPPINE SECRETARY OF FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS**

**AMERICAN EMBASSY**

No. 1180

Manila, Philippines, April 20, 1956

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to conversations which have recently taken place between our two Governments with regard to the conclusion of an Agreement supplementing and amending the Agreement between our two Governments effected by an exchange of notes, dated April 27, 1955, concerning the promotion of national defense and economic objectives, and to confirm the understandings reached as a result of these conversations as follows:

1. The Government of the United States, subject to the requirements of any applicable United States law, will furnish to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines financial assistance, in addition to the financial assistance provided for in the above-mentioned Agreement of April 27, 1955, to the extent of \$6,910,000 (including \$4,700,000 from funds appropriated for Defense Support and \$2,210,000 from funds appropriated for Direct Forces Support) plus the five percent previously reserved of the pesos- accruing as a result of the sales of surplus agricultural commodities under Section 402 of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, to promote the mutual defense and economic objectives of our two Governments in connection with the construction of facilities required for the training of an additional infantry division and other military construction and in furtherance of the Joint Philippine-American Economic Development Program.
2. The Government of the Republic of the Philippines will accomplish: (1) such construction of facilities for the training of an infantry division; and (2) such other military construction as may be jointly decided upon by the Secretary of National Defense of the Republic of the Philippines and the Chief Advisor, Joint United States Military Advisory Group to the Republic of the Philippines.
3. The financial assistance provided for in this Agreement shall, except as otherwise specified herein, be furnished in accordance with, and subject to, the terms and conditions of the above-mentioned Agreement of April 27, 1955. Paragraph five of the Agreement of April 27, 1955; is amended to read as follows: